

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1 through 113. (Cancelled)

114. (Previously Presented) A fastener having an insertion axis, the fastener being configured to be inserted into an aperture in a structure along the insertion axis, the fastener comprising:

a flange having a hole formed therein and a helical lip that is formed about the hole;

a body coupled to the flange, the body having a pair of generally U-shaped portions, each of which being disposed on an opposite side of the insertion axis, a fastener aperture being formed into an end of each of the generally U-shaped portions opposite the flange, the fastener aperture being adapted to provide clearance for a threaded fastener that is inserted into the hole; and

a wing member coupled to each of the generally U-shaped portions, each wing member having a warped planar shape, the warped planar shape being a twisted plane, the wing member including a first end that is coupled to an associated one of the generally U-shaped portions and a second free end opposite the first end, the second end terminating at a distal edge surface, the distal edge surface being sloped relative to the flange in a vertical direction that is generally parallel to the insertion axis so that a first lateral side of the distal edge surface is relatively closer to the flange in the vertical direction than a second opposite lateral side of the distal edge surface.

115. (Previously Presented) The fastener of Claim 114, wherein a plurality of teeth are formed in the distal edge surface.

116. (Previously Presented) The fastener of Claim 114, wherein the distal edge surface is flat.

117. (Previously Presented) The fastener of Claim 114, wherein the distal edge surface extends in a helical manner between the first and second lateral sides.

118. (Previously Presented) The fastener of Claim 114, wherein an angle between a lateral side of the wing member adjacent the first lateral side and the distal edge surface is about 30° to about 80°.

119. (Previously Presented) The fastener of Claim 118, wherein the angle is about 60°.

120. (Previously Presented) The fastener of Claim 114, wherein the distal edge surfaces are rotated about the insertion axis through an angle of about 5° to about 45° relative to a plane when the fastener is viewed in a top plan view from a direction that is parallel to the insertion axis, the plane including the insertion axis and extending through the fastener such that each of the generally U-shaped portions are on an opposite side of the plane.

121. (Previously Presented) The fastener of Claim 120, wherein the angle is about 30°.

122. – 164. (Cancelled)